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## **Meeting Minutes**

### **Teleconference**

**April 24, 2014 @ 8:38 a.m.**

Mel Rettig, Brian Neufeld, Randy Wilks, Robert Bray, John Cure, Ben Rainbolt, Tom Wingfield, Eric Lane, Tom Lipetzky, Shaina Knight and Lillie Collins

1. The meeting began with an update from Eric on the ACRE project. It is finally moving again with a job posting having just closed for a full time dedicated staff member to run the program. Eric gave a brief update on the four candidates that are still in the running. At the June meeting these topics and the budget will be reviewed.
2. AgPump – This is a grant program also known as Enrich Ag. Shaina Knight is running this program. Tom details some history of the program. Ag Management funds were freed up earlier this year by John Salazar to move ahead. The total amount is \$42,500.

Of the forty-one (41) grant applicants, seven (7) rose to the top and have been passed through for review by the board. Discussion ensued on the merits and vulnerabilities of each and in the end four were chosen for funding. The breakdown is below.

- \* Montrose Downtown Development Authority - \$11,380
- \* Weld County School District #6 - \$17,000
- \* Soup for Supper - \$2,500
- \* Triple M Bar Company - \$11,620

3. Meeting ended at 9:47 a.m.